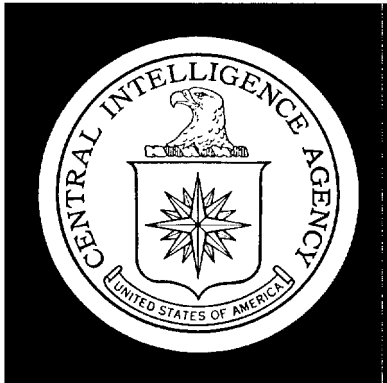


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COMMUNIST CHINA - US: The first firm invitation to an American company to attend the October trade fair in Canton was received on 24 September by a US manufacturer of heavy-duty construction and earth-moving machinery. The Chinese have shown particular interest in the firm's logging equipment, suggesting that Peking may allow the company to go beyond mere observer status and permit it to conclude contracts. The firm, eager to break into the China market, has indicated to Peking its willingness to be represented at the fair by a non-American. At least one other major US company believes it will be invited to the fair.

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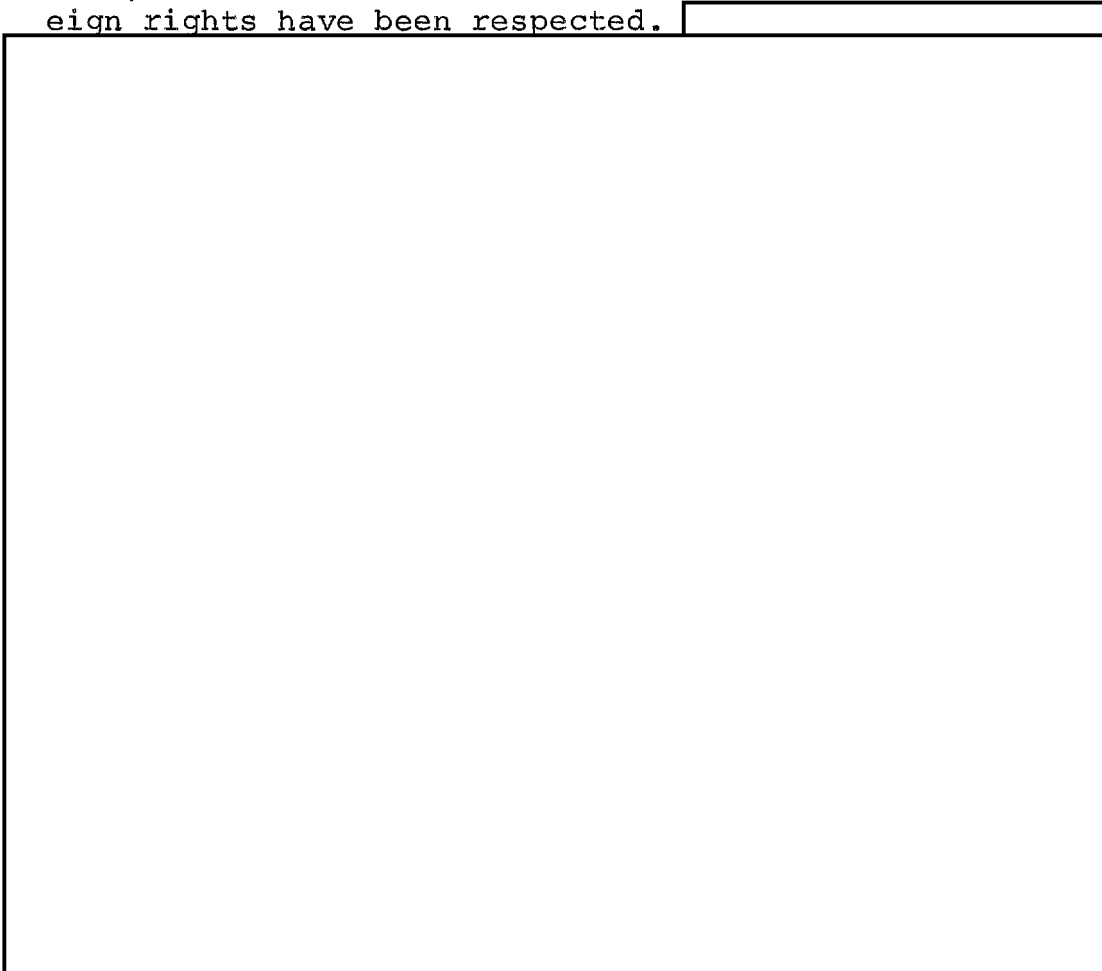
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EAST GERMANY - WEST GERMANY: The Soviets have proposed a formula to bypass the dispute over the German translation of the Berlin agreement's provision regarding West Berlin ties to West Germany, an argument that has held up the inter-German talks. A Soviet diplomat has suggested to a member of the US mission in Berlin that the best solution would be for each German state to stand by its own translation and not question the other's version. The Soviet diplomat indicated that Pankow might then be flexible when the inter-German talks get down to substantive matters. If Bonn would agree not to dispute the looser connection between West Berlin and the Federal Republic implied by the East German text, Pankow would be able to claim that its sovereign rights have been respected.

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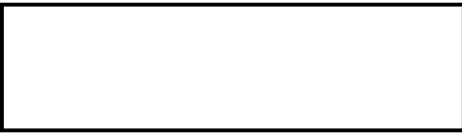
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